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# Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

The amendment document filed on 3-04-04 is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements c CFR 1.121, as amended on June 30, 2003 (see *68 Fed. Reg. 38611*, Jun. 30, 2003). In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following omission(s) or provision is required. **Only the section (1.121(h)) of the amendment document containing the omission or non-compliant provision must be resubmitted (in its entirety), e.g., the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's amendment document must be re-submitted.**

THE FOLLOWING CHECKED (X) ELEMENTS(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:

☐ 1. Amendments to the specification:
- ☐ A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.
- ☐ B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined.
- ☐ C. Other _____

☐ 2. Abstract:
- ☐ A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72.
- ☐ B. Other _____

☐ 3. Amendments to the drawings: _____

☑ 4. Amendments to the claims:
- ☑ A. A complete listing of all of the claims is not present.
- ☐ B. The listing of claims does not include the text of all claims (incl. withdrawn claims)
- ☐ C. Each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each c cannot be identified.
- ☐ D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented in ascending numerical order.
- ☐ E. Other: _____

For further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP Sec. 714 and the USPTO website at http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opla/preognotice/officeflyer.pdf .

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Legal Instruments Examiner (LIE)

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